Tollgates at Aramboly and Kuzhitturai.

68. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the amount of toll actually collected from the P. W. D. toll-gates at Kuzhitturai and Aramboly, respectively, during each of the years 1094 to 1101 and from the 1st Chingam 1102 to the 15th Mithunam 1102 ;

(*b*) the amount of money spent for maintaining the Main Southern road during each of the years 1094 to 1101 and from the 1st Chingam 1102 to the 15th Mithunam 1102 ; and

(*c*) whether Mr. A. Vipan, the Chief Engineer, has travelled along the Main Southern road, and, if so, on how many occasions ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) Statements* containing the information required by the member are laid on the table.

(*c*) Mr. A Vipan has travelled along the Main Southern road four times.

Damage to Cultivation in Motaman Ela.

69. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): (1) Are the Government aware that extensive damage to paddy cultivation in Motaman Ela, in Mel-Tonnakkal *pakuthi*, Trivandrum taluk, is being caused by a big breach in an irrigation canal in that locality and that a large extent of paddy land is getting silted up ?

(2) Is it a fact that the Assistant Engineer, Attingal Sub-Division, inspected the breach and submitted estimates for closing up the same ?

(3) Will the Government be pleased to issue urgent orders for closing up this breach and save paddy crops from destruction by floods ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (1) Petitions regarding this have been received.

(2) The Chief Engineer reports that the Assistant Engineer has submitted a report. No estimate was prepared.

(3) It is reported that the breach has been closed by the ryots, and hence this does not arise.

Flogging of a Convict in the Central Prison.

70. **MR K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : With regard to the flogging of a convict as a jail punishment in the year 1101, will the Government be pleased to state the number of stripes awarded, the term of imprisonment of this convict, his age, his previous convictions, if any, his previous jail punishment, if any, and also whether the Prison Rules in relation to the infliction of whipping as a jail punishment have been duly complied with ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The number of stripes awarded to the convict was 24, the term of his imprisonment is for life, *i. e.*, 14 years' rigorous imprisonment; and his present age is

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